

French Planning Now to Isolate the Ruhr Valley

Will Sever All Means of Communication With Remains of Germany if Attitude of Defiance Keeps Up.

BRITISH POLICY IS ANNOUNCED

Policy Will Be a "Hands Off" One—Trial of the German Coal Magnate Continued at Request of Counsel.

Paris, Jan. 23. (By the Associated Press.)—The complete isolation of the Ruhr valley, the absolute severance of its communication with the remainder of Germany, was announced in government circles today as the next step in the French struggle against German resistance if the resistance continues.

Trials Postponed. Mayence, Jan. 23. (By the Associated Press.)—The trial of Fritz Thyssen and the five other industrial magnates arrested in the Ruhr, set for today, has been postponed till tomorrow morning.

165,000 Workmen on Strike. Berlin, Jan. 23. (By the Associated Press.)—Since this morning 165,000 employees of the Siemens works, and 100,000 of the Thyssen works in the Ruhr region have been on strike, according to information obtained by Reuters this afternoon.

England Adopts "Hands Off" Policy. London, Jan. 23. (By the Associated Press.)—The British government has instructed its military representatives on the Rhine not to interfere with the arrest and expulsion of German officials being carried out by the French.

Custom House Officials on Strike. New York, Jan. 23. (By the Associated Press.)—All the German customs house officials in Mayence and Tustsburg have gone on strike in protest against the arrest of the director of the customs office and other officials, according to reliable information received here from the occupied zone.

GOVERNOR McLEOD WANTS INVESTIGATION

Wants to Know Why South Carolina Is Not Progressing More in Industrial Way.

Columbia, S. C., Jan. 23.—Investigation to ascertain why South Carolina has not gained as rapidly in manufacturing industries as have other southern states, was recommended to the General Assembly here today by Governor Moses C. McLeod, in a special message. He urged the legislature to determine whether the tax situation within the state was such as to discourage manufacturers from establishing factories or branches, particularly textile plants in the state.

The Governor, in his message pointed out figures furnished him which indicated that the number of cotton spindles in South Carolina had increased 18 per cent. in ten years, while North Carolina had shown an increase of 58 per cent.; Georgia 34 per cent., and Alabama 44 per cent.

Father Saves Son By His Confession

Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 22.—J. W. Hudson, Sr., confessed on the witness stand in criminal court here today that he had not his son, now on trial on a charge of murder, killed Mrs. Hattie Ferguson, with whom the younger man is said to have been in a fatuous and whose body was found last spring in an isolated section along Wolf river on the northern outskirts of Memphis.

Elon College Trustees to Meet

(By the Associated Press.)—Elon College, Jan. 23.—The board of trustees of Elon College will meet here tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock to plan ways and means of immediately rebuilding the administration building destroyed by fire last Thursday morning.

Silk stockings are more hygienic than cotton hose, says a well-known doctor, but he condemns the low-light shoes worn by many women and girls nowadays.

STAR THEATRE Today and Tomorrow Wallace Reid

'The Ghost Breaker' Cast Includes Lila Lee and Walter Heins Mack Bennett Comedy ADMISSION 10c AND 25c

THE AMERICAN LUTHERANS GIVE RELIEF IN RUSSIA

The North Carolina Lutherans Ask for \$12,000.

(Special to The Tribune) Liberty, N. C., Jan. 23.—The National Lutheran Council, an organization representing various Lutheran bodies in America, has recently put on a big appeal asking for the sum of \$50,000 from American Lutherans. Seven hundred twenty-five thousand of this sum will be spent in continuing Lutheran Relief Work in Russia and other European countries; while the remaining \$125,000 will go toward the support of Lutheran Mission fields throughout the world. This is the first appeal of its kind which the National Lutheran Council has put on in the past three years.

Since the close of the great war, American Lutherans have given upwards of \$5,000,000 toward the relief of the suffering peoples of Europe. Her representatives, working in co-operation with the American Relief in Europe, have saved many thousands of the Old World, giving food and clothing to multitudes of starving and naked ones. Drs. Morehead and Larsen are two of these workers who have spent many months in Europe directing this relief. Dr. Morehead was at one time President of Roanoke College, Salem, Va., for a period of 12 years.

At the present day Lutheran Relief Work is being carried on in Southern Russia and in other nations recently carved from Russia and the Baltic States. As a result of this work it is conservatively estimated that over 100,000 people have been saved from starvation and between three and four million have been restored in part to their former health. In view of these figures and the great need in Europe, it is necessary that the work be continued by the Lutheran Church.

In this appeal, North Carolina Lutherans are asked to give \$1,000 each to continue this work. Dr. Morgan, President of the Lutheran Synod of North Carolina, sends out the following letter, addressed to all Lutherans in the State:

"The yield followed much the line of increase in acreage for the same reason, excepting that in the coastal belt, where weather conditions resulted in losses. This difference is explained on the ground that the acreage was increased about thirteen per cent. for the state as a whole," he said, "the largest increase being in the northern, or border counties, whereas the southern, or more seriously infested counties either were the same or reduced."

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"Those counties showing the greatest decreases were: Brunswick, which did not get any cotton; Columbus, 12 per cent.; Bladen, 10 per cent.; Orange, 10 per cent.; Duplin, 7 per cent.; Onslow, 7 per cent.; Lenoir, 6 per cent.; Robeson, 5 per cent.; and eleven others under 100 per cent. from last year."

The greatest figures lacked perhaps 30,000 bales of showing the ultimate amount for the season, according to revised estimates. The government estimate of 82,000 bales production will run practically the same as the ginned figures, since the latter will average about 488 pounds, while the government bales run 500 pounds. The last year's total ginned crop was 776,000 equivalent 500 pound bales, or 805,000 running bales," he said.

THE COTTON MARKET

Rallies Which Were in Progress Yesterday Continued at Opening Today.

(By the Associated Press.)—New York, Jan. 23.—The rallies which had been in progress in the late trading of yesterday continued at the opening of the cotton market today. Not only was the balance of yesterday's decline recovered, but the opening was firm at an advance of 12 to 20 points, prices soon made a new high record for the season with the general list showing net advances of 30 to 30 points.

Cotton futures opened firm: January 28.05; March 28.25; May 28.45; July 28.23; October 26.34.

FEAR SEVEN REFUGEE SHIPS HAVE BEEN LOST

Missing Vessels Have Not Been Heard From During the Past Two Weeks.

(By the Associated Press.)—Manila, Jan. 23.—Fear is expressed here that seven Russian refugee ships, with more than 500 persons aboard, have been lost in the China Sea en route from Shanghai to the Philippines, as part of Admiral Stark's fleet of Vladivostok exiles, five ships of which are anchored near here. The missing vessels have not been heard of for more than two weeks.

To Vote For School Bonds in Henderson

(By the Associated Press.)—Henderson, N. C., Jan. 23.—Registration for the bond election to be held here January 30, for the purpose of completing two new school buildings now under construction has been closed.

The board of trustees of the schools has issued a statement it will not use the first \$100,000 of bonds for any other purpose than to retire the bonds issued in August 1921, and that the remaining \$50,000 will not be used for any other purpose than to complete the building, until that has been carried out.

\$40,000 Fire at Lexington

(By the Associated Press.)—Lexington, N. C., Jan. 23.—The Lee Veneer Company, of this city, was practically destroyed by fire early this morning, entailing a loss of \$40,000, which is partially covered by insurance.

Woman Killed by Train. (By the Associated Press.)—Elizabeth City, N. C., Jan. 23.—Mrs. Julia Jennings, aged 78, was killed near the city limits here today when struck by a train from Raleigh.

PEACOCK HEARING IS SET FOR TODAY

Attorney for Peacock Stated That He Would Fight Extradition of His Client at the Hearing.

(By the Associated Press.)—Tallahassee, Fla., Jan. 23.—Hearing on the application of North Carolina authorities for the extradition of Dr. J. W. Peacock, was set for this afternoon in the Governor's office. Dr. Peacock, who recently escaped from the criminal insane department of the North Carolina penitentiary, has been quoted as saying he would return voluntarily if assured no technical charge would be placed against him. His attorney came here to appear at the hearing, and to inspect the charges brought by the North Carolina authorities.

D. O. Carver, one of Peacock's attorneys, made known that his purpose here was to contest the extradition of his client to North Carolina. He understood, he said, that Dr. Peacock had signified a willingness to return voluntarily if assured he would only be held before a sanity hearing. It is possible, he said, that the physician has already left Florida on that understanding. This, however, would affect his end of the case.

The hearing was set for 4 o'clock. Jacksonville, Fla., Jan. 23.—Attorneys for Dr. J. W. Peacock, who escaped from the criminally insane department of the North Carolina penitentiary last year after having killed the Thomasville chief, said tonight that he would make no further move towards returning to North Carolina until he learns the nature of the charges the North Carolina authorities want him on.

A hearing on the request of North Carolina for extradition for Dr. Peacock, who has been declared sane at Arcadia, Florida, will be held tomorrow in Governor Hardie's office at Tallahassee. He will be represented by Peacock in person. Dr. Peacock has stated he will return voluntarily to North Carolina, if he is to be tried only to determine whether he is sane, but does not plan to go if there are any other charges against him. He has not been seen since Sunday night and efforts to find him proved unavailing. There has been no warrant issued for him.

CHARLES M. DAVIDSON IS DEAD, A SUICIDE

He Was at One Time a Prominent Charlotte Business Man—Health Had Failed Him.

Charlotte, Jan. 23.—Charles Magill Davidson, native of Charlotte, a prominent business man of this city, committed suicide this morning by shooting himself through the head at his home on East Seventh street, the shooting occurred about 7 o'clock and death at 2 p. m.

Mr. Davidson was a native of Charlotte, son of the late J. Riley Davidson, and Sarah Wilson Walker, latter of Statesville. He married Miss Katie McQueen of Fayetteville, and Wilmington, who with one child, Miss Carrie Louise Davidson, survives Mr. Davidson was formerly a stockholder in the Standard Ice and Fuel Company, of which the late Colonel Frank Cox, of Charlotte and Asheville, was a stockholder. Misfortune overtook him and later his health failed.

He was a member of Tryon Street Methodist Church. Beside his wife and daughter, he is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Zach Haylor, of Charlotte, and Mrs. R. L. Poston, of Statesville, also several nephews. He was 58 years old and was a Mason.

68 Murders in England to 9,500 in United States

Greensboro, Jan. 23.—Sir Basil Thompson, K. C. B., regarded as the greatest detective in the most noted criminologist in the world, during the world war at the head of the British secret service department and now head of Scotland Yard, England's great police and detective agency, lecturing here tonight, revealed some startling facts, comparing British and American crime figures.

Last year in the United States there were 9,500 murders, in England, 68. Of the 68 all but eight were cleared up and the newspapers of England were demanding why they were not.

In one penitentiary in Illinois there are as many prisoners as in all the prisons of Canada. He attributed the much greater amount of crime in the United States than in England to delinquency in meeting out punishment and to under-policing.

Southern Enterprises Ban All Fatty Artburke Films

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 23.—Moving pictures in which Rosco ("Fatty") Arbuckle appears will not be exhibited by theaters in the southern states under the supervision of the Southern Enterprises, Inc., according to a statement issued here tonight by that concern. This decision was reached, the statement declared, on the advice of better film committees, and other organizations, representing the public throughout the south.

The Southern Enterprises, Inc., supervises the operation of theaters through subsidiary companies, in Georgia, South Carolina, Oklahoma and Arkansas.

From 1901 to 1920 the total number of new British settlers in Canada was 1,249,280. During the same period, Canada received 1,318,409 settlers from the United States.

STATE INCOME TAX

Facts About Income State Library State Commission on Revenue Raleigh, Jan. 23.—A. B. Watts, State Commissioner of Revenue said today.

"The law requires every single person who had in the calendar year 1922 a net income of \$1,000 or more, and every married person had had \$2,000 or more, and all corporations whether they had net income or not, to make a return on or before March 15th. Net income is gross income less the deductions, but before the personal exemption is taken off."

"The law prescribes penalties for failure to file returns, and for failure to file them in the time prescribed by law. If an individual is in doubt whether a return is required under the law or not, this office or a deputy commissioner should be consulted. Returns of the State taxes the salaries of all State, County, Municipal officers and employees, including school officers and teachers, and road engineers and other employees, but does not tax the salaries of United States officers and employees. Of course if these officers and employees, State, Federal, County and Municipal, had income other than their salaries, such income should be included in their returns."

"All individuals, partnerships, and corporations are required to report the names of persons to whom they paid \$1,000 or more during the year 1922; all partnerships are required to file a return for information. It is hoped that all individuals required to make returns under the law, and all corporations and partnerships will make the returns and reports on or before March 15th, and avoid penalties."

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PARDON BOARD BEATEN BY VOTE OF SENATORS

McDonald's Proposal For Such Board Voted Down When It Is Brought Up.

Raleigh, Jan. 23.—The senate would not give Senator McDonald's bill to create a pardon board a moment's consideration, although it had been reported by the constitution committee, and a motion by Graham of Lincoln that it do lie upon the table was carried without a dissenting vote.

The McDonald bill would have substituted a constitutional amendment creating a board of three, appointed by the governor, in whom would rest the power and authority in the granting of pardon, and communications now vested solely in the chief executive.

There has been much talk of legislative action to relieve the governor of the responsibility for pardons but the senate's judgment on the McDonald bill tonight gives little encouragement to those who may have considered leading in this movement. Government Morrison personally as opposed to a pardon board and the general assembly shows little disposition to relieve him of a burden which he himself does not complain of.

DEATH OF DR. EAGLE BAFFLED PHYSICIANS

Statesville Physician Died in Baltimore, More, Death Due to Abscess of the Liver.

(By the Associated Press.)—Baltimore, Jan. 23.—Baffling efforts of physicians of John Hopkins hospital for the last seven weeks to diagnose the disease from which he was suffering, Dr. Daniel Eugene Eagle, 26 years old, died yesterday at the institution. Heads of all departments were called in and physicians not attached to the hospital were taken into consultation about the nature of Dr. Eagle's illness, which was a mystery until an autopsy disclosed that death was due to an abscess of the liver.

The body has been sent to Statesville, N. C., the family home. Dr. Eagle was graduated from the University of North Carolina in the class of 1917, and from John Hopkins in the medical class of 1922.

ANOTHER INVESTIGATION

Federal Trade Commission Will Investigate Calhoun Arsenate Industry.

(By the Associated Press.)—Washington, Jan. 23.—Investigation of the calcium arsenate industry by the Federal Trade Commission was ordered today by the Senate in adopting a resolution by Senator Fletcher, democrat, Florida. The commission was directed to report whether there was any violation of the anti-trust laws in the manufacture or distribution of calcium arsenate used in fighting the cotton boll weevil.

Report Has It Effrd Company Will Open An Augusta Store

Charlotte, Jan. 23.—Effrd department store is reported to have bought extensive property in Augusta, Ga., where it proposes to open another large enterprise, making 33 establishments which this concern is operating in the Carolina and Virginia. The Augusta store will mark the first advance into Georgia. Report of purchase was made in Trade Journal, Shown to J. B. Effrd today, he said he was not in a position to affirm or deny reports. Journal states that the store buildings have been bought on Broad street, Augusta, and that Effrd proposes to occupy stores by the early fall. Effrd six-story building being built here to cost between three and four hundred thousand, lot 1285, 000.

WORK OF THE STATE LEGISLATURE TODAY

Much Debate Followed the Introduction in the House Today of the McKinnon-Cobb Measure.

SEVERAL SPEAKERS VOICED SENTIMENT

Supporters of Bill Charge "Boss Rule," and Charge Is Vigorously Denied by Several Speakers.

Raleigh, Jan. 23.—(By the Associated Press.)—The McKinnon-Cobb measure to provide a superintendent of public instruction for Robeson county by popular vote of the people, brought support and opposition in the House of Representatives here today.

Representative Townsend, of Harriet, said he was not present at the committee meeting when the bill was reported favorable and moved that it be reconsidered. Heated debate resulted when Representative McKinnon said the people of the county there wanted the measure.

Representative Burgwyn, Northampton, in a speech of more than a half hour duration said the time had come in North Carolina when "boss rule" must bow to the will and judgment of the people.

Mr. Burgwyn asserted that inasmuch as the measure was reported out of the committee favorably it should be allowed to go to the vote of the House. He said that a movement against the measure was growing because it was an effort to take county educational matters out of the hands of the "boss" and put them in the hands of the "people."

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The general education bill, which was introduced today by Senator Woodson, of Rowan, chairman of the committee on education and announced was made that a hearing on it would be held Thursday night by the committee of both the House and Senate.

The bill to incorporate Biltmore Forest, Buncombe county, passed its third reading in the Senate.

New Charters Issued. (By the Associated Press.)—Raleigh, N. C., Jan. 23.—The secretary of state has issued the following charters:

The Allbrook Grocery company, Inc., Mebane, to conduct general grocery business; capital stock, \$25,000; paid in \$25,000; E. B. Allbrook and Mrs. Lillian Allbrook, Mebane, and D. C. High, Lenoir, incorporators.

Clark Wiggins Hardware Company, Charlotte, to conduct a general hardware business; capital stock, \$25,000; paid in \$200; E. B. Clark, J. L. Wiggins and T. J. Wiggins, all of Charlotte, principal incorporators.

Lawrence-Narrow company, Inc., Kenly, to conduct a general farm and dairy and mercantile business; capital stock \$25,000; paid in \$4,000; C. L. Lawrence, Addie Lawrence, M. E. Narrow, all of Kenly, principal incorporators.

Tri-State Medical Society

(By the Associated Press.)—High Point, N. C., Jan. 23.—Physicians from the Carolina and Virginia are expected to visit High Point February 20-21 to attend the meeting of the Tri-State Medical Society.

Frank J. Sizemore, secretary of the chamber of commerce, stated tonight he was mailing an invitation to each member of the organization to attend the conference.

Shots Fired at American Officer. Brussels, Jan. 23. (By the Associated Press.)—Several shots were fired today at an American liaison officer attached to the Belgian headquarters at Aix-la-Chapelle, according to a dispatch to Livre Belgique. The officer was not hit.

Women in Spain have had the right to attend the universities since early in the 15th century, but few availed themselves of the privilege until lately.